

May 29, 2002

**Ex Parte**

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: CALLS Order Remand Proceeding**  
**CC Docket Nos. 96-262, 94-1, 99-249 and 96-45**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed please find Tables A and B related to an Ex Parte filing of the Maryland Office of People's Counsel (MOPC) and the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates (NASUCA) which are being filed in support of Ex Parte Comments filed today, May 29, 2002, in the CALLS Order Remand Proceeding regarding the Annual \$650 Million Interstate Access Support Mechanism.

NASUCA request confidential treatment of the attached Tables A and B because they contain Confidential Line Count Information which is protected by three existing orders of the Common Carrier Bureau in these dockets. The Bureau issued an Interim Protective Order on April 7, 2000 which provides that certain Confidential Line Count Information is protected. That Order provided for disclosure and use only under specific circumstances. NASUCA requested and received a limited modification of that Order and an Order was issued by the Common Carrier Bureau on December 6, 2001. That subsequent Order permitted NASUCA to obtain and use Confidential Line Count Information to produce loop costs studies and in evaluating data and costs studies submitted by the parties in this proceeding. The December 6, 2001 Order also requires

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NASUCA to abide by the remaining provisions of the April 7, 2000 Order regarding access to and use of Confidential Line Count Information.

On May 6, 2002, the Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau issued a second modified Interim Protective Order to permit access to the Confidential Line Count Information for use in the CALLS Order Remand Proceeding. The May 6, 2002 Order requires NASUCA to abide by terms of the Interim Protective Order as well as to abide by the conditions established in the first Order modifying the Interim Protective Order. Because Tables A and B contain Confidential Line Count Information subject to all of the Protective Orders in this proceeding, NASUCA request that the Commission treat the information in Tables A and B as confidential in accordance with the three orders discussed above.

Parties wishing to access Confidential Line Count Information are required by the May 6, 2002 second modification Order to file a Declaration specific to this proceeding. NASUCA will make copies of Tables A and B available to those parties in this proceeding that file such a Declaration and which provide a copy to NASUCA.

To NASUCA's knowledge, the material contained in Tables A and B has not been filed in any proceeding. As noted above, NASUCA's written filing does not contain any Confidential Line Count Information, but does contain data that was produced using such Confidential Line Count Information. NASUCA has filed with USAC and with the FCC the Declarations required to be filed in this proceeding and has not disclosed the information contained in Tables A and B to any other NASUCA related individual who

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has not signed the Declaration. NASUCA also requests that you file this letter in the CALLS Order Remand Proceeding and post it on the Electronic Comment Filing System.

Very truly yours,

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People's Counsel

Attorney for National  
Association of State Utility  
Consumer Advocates  
(NASUCA)

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Enclosure

cc: Qualex International (without attachments)  
Chief of the Wireline  
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